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"Ye shall know the truth"

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WEEKEND WEATHER...

Today: Cloudy with chance of snow or rain. High in the low 40s

Saturday: Cool with snow possible, 40-50s

Sunday: Partly cloudy, rain possible, 40s



National and International News

☛ The Justice Department decided not to prosecute fashion designer Calvin Klein for a series of jean ads showing young models striking suggestive poses. The department's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section verified that minors were not used as models in the photographs that raised questions.

☛ The Islamic Movement for Change, a little-known group, is one of 3 groups claiming responsibility for Monday's bombing that killed the five Americans and an Indian and injured about 60 others. Increased security was ordered at all U.S. military facilities in the Middle East, Tuesday.

☛ A legislative logjam on the annual defense spending bill broke as House and Senate negotiators agreed to compromise language restricting abortions at overseas military hospitals. The restrictions, known as the Hyde Amendment, would apply to all military healthcare facilities.

☛ The mother who fell with her two sons to their deaths from a Purdue University parking garage had no drugs in her system, officials say. The autopsy report ruled Kathy Kent's death a suicide, and all three autopsies showed they died of injuries sustained in falling from the garage.

Campus Calendar

Friday, November 17

☛ SAC Coffeehouse: "Clash of Symbols" 8:15 p.m. D.C.

Saturday, November 18

☛ Marion Philharmonic Concerto Competition 9 a.m.-2 p.m. R/H

☛ "New Reformation Dixieland Band" 8 p.m. R/A

☛ Women's Basketball vs. Missouri Baptist 6 p.m.

Monday, November 20

☛ Science Seminar 4p.m. NL101

Tuesday, November 21

☛ Women's Basketball vs. Cedarville 6 p.m.

compiled by Kelly Booster

D.C. changes don't square with students

by Laurie Hunderfund
associate editor

If you can't get a-round the new tables, you better get over it.

One of the most obvious changes that Taylor students have returned to this year is the size and shape of the new tables in the dining commons, and according to the feedback that student senate has received, change is not good.

So what is the story with the

dining commons? Why the change? Besides the tables, some things like the usage of the television monitors have been a constant issue of complaint since they were purchased over a year ago; and the new identification cards that were supposed to be durable and long lasting are fading and breaking.

These are all frequent issues of student-to-student conversation, but rarely has anyone taken the time to find out the real answers

and the whole story.

So here it is.

First, the tables. Believe it or not this was not as much of a sudden decision as many saw it. Last year the D.C. was evaluated and found to need new tables and chairs. "It was not in the budget to buy them all at one time, so we decided to get new tables this year and new chairs next year," Allan Smith, vice president for business and finance, said.

The goal, Smith said, was to get the most number of seats out of the new table arrangement, while incorporating a uniform appearance and enhancing the community atmosphere as much as possible. So considering these things, Taylor invested approximately \$75,000 in new tables and a new specialty food bar.

But within the first week of returning to Taylor this fall, Heather Shimko, student body president, heard all kinds of complaints about the change. "When I addressed the problem to the administration, they were shocked that students didn't like it," she said.

So student senate began procedures to find out what students did not like, and how much of the situation they could change. The two main complaints about the round tables were that they prevented one-on-one private conversations and large group gatherings.

Kia Kenney, senior, chairman of student senate, formed a senate sub-committee to evaluate the problem and draft a proposal to present to the administration. "I was really amazed at how willing the administration was to work with us. They were very eager to find a solution," she said.

"The biggest thing that I feel bad about is that someone didn't do a good enough job getting input from the students," Smith said. Comprom-



LIVING IN A MATERIAL WORLD - Kiersa Nahler and her entourage of suited men perform a classic Madonna hit during last night's SAC 80's Night. SAC's theme for the night was a take-off on the popular 80's television show, *Star Search*. The student body was an audience to a dozen performances, varying from Bon Jovi to Peter Gabriel to Michael Jackson.

photo by Andy Roan

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Sexual abuse: Confronting the pain; healing the wounds

by Randy Dillinger
staff writer

When "K" first began to remember the sexual abuse she suffered, she only saw glimpses of the event. Each time of remembering caused more fear and anxiety. When she could handle her fears no longer, K sought out the help of a faculty member and also began sharing with others.

As K opened up to others, she discovered that this was not a rare situation for women to be in.

"I found that many of the people I shared with had been in similar situations," she said. "Some had never admitted or realized the truth. Others had been

through it already and really helped me."

When she shared with others, K developed a support structure of friends she could trust during the times of remembering and healing. But no matter how sympathetic her friends were, K still did not find full understanding from them.

"When I started to explain it to other people, I couldn't tell it completely. That's where prayer came in. God knew my need, even when I didn't have the words to express it."

Carol Mott, director of the counseling center, agrees with K about the importance of trustworthy friends to the process of healing. Sexual abuse tends to be some-

thing women do not share with others, but the burden of secrecy can be an additional stress to try to maintain. Seeking out healthy and supportive relationships is important to the healing process.

According to Mott, there are four primary stages of healing for victims of sexual abuse. The first is an ability to name the abuse, to admit it as fact. This can be a frightening time for women, and requires much courage. The second stage involves relating the experience as often as possible within the context of trustworthy relationships.

The third stage is the process of understanding how the trauma has affected the individual and how

it has disrupted her life. The fourth stage is when the victim slowly gains control of her life back.

K has worked her way through each of these stages, though her healing is far from complete. It is a process which she anticipates will take her whole life. She has also come to a point of trusting in God to protect her from such an experience happening again.

While K has chosen to take the first steps in her healing, many women may feel unable to start the process. According to Mott, who has had extensive experience in counseling victims of sexual

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abuse, these are steps which do lead to healing.

Women are not alone in their struggle either. According to Mott, there are women on this campus who are willing at any time to talk with others who have been abused. These are women who have gone through the healing process. Meetings with them can be facilitated through the counseling center.

"Mostly," said Mott, "women need to know that this is a safe place. What they say is always confidential."

During the time of remembering and healing, intimate relationships with men can involve fear and anxiety. But such relationships can also be a source of encouragement as well. Still, men need to be aware of the struggles involved.

"If men are aware of these feelings, they should be patient, proving themselves trustworthy and not pushing limits in the relationship," said Mott. "But that should be true of any dating relationship. Any physical relationship should be talked about, and the boundaries be made clear."

One male student raised concerns about men being viewed as the enemy. He suggested that there are men who want to do their part in encouraging women. According to Mott, simply being a safe male friend in these situations is a good idea.

"Seek to live a godly life and be respectful of women," Mott said. "Having a guy treat them well and respectfully can greatly encourage them."

While sexual abuse is by and large an issue that affects women, there are also men who have experienced abuse. Often, they were

victimized when they were younger. Men who are in this position often have had their boundaries confused. This often sets up a dangerous scenario in intimate relationships, Mott said.

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- K

Some women who do not work through the process of healing can become abusers themselves, Mott said. They often come to view sex as a tool and use it as a way of getting back at men and working out their pain.

Wherever women and men fit into the issue of sexual abuse, the counseling center has services to offer. Besides confidential counseling, the center also provides a support group for women who have experienced sexual trauma.

While Mott has counseled about two to three women each year concerning sexual abuse, she believes there is a greater number of women who are affected. Even so, there have been no reported cases of rape at Taylor University since 1992, according to this year's annual security report. One reason for this is that most of the situations are dealt with in the counseling center and are never reported to the administration or to campus safety.

However, the sexual assault policy, adopted this year by the community life committee, has made provisions for the reporting

and criminal prosecuting of sexual assault. This policy was adopted per federal law requirement of all colleges, said Walt Campbell, dean/associate vice president of student development.

The decision to report and seek legal action is entirely up to the victim, Mott said. All options can be openly and confidentially discussed in the counseling center. Doing so does not commit the person to any course of action, but having a policy in place makes it less awkward for women who do desire to report a case of assault.

There is yet another option, which is more difficult to pursue. This is an attempt at reconciliation between the abuser and the abused. K has spoken with her abuser occasionally over the past year and a half.

At first her response was anger. Over time, she has come to understand the struggles which he too was dealing with. The anger has not been eliminated, nor has peace been reached between the two. But each time K approaches her abuser, she strives for that.

In most cases, though, women are uncomfortable even talking with their abuser, let alone seeking reconciliation. But reconciliation is possible, Mott said. Particularly for those couples who do want to save their relationship.

"God has given us a formula to do that," she said. "But we have to be honest, repentant and caring towards our brothers and sisters."

During the renewal that has taken place at Taylor since last spring, many students have opened up about sexual matters. Many have sought healing from the past. Let these words continue to promote the healing and freedom that has begun.

This is Taylor's recently adopted sexual assault policy

Sexual Assault Prohibited. Any commission of a sex offense prohibited by Indiana or federal law is a violation of Taylor University's Sexual Assault Policy and the University's "Life Together Covenant." Members of the student body, faculty, support staff, and administrative personnel are included under this policy and within the agreement of the "Life Together Covenant." Any violation of this policy may lead to criminal sanctions or discipline up to and including expulsion or termination as applicable.

Reporting Sexual Assaults. Taylor University encourages all victims of sexual assault to report such incidents to the office of Campus Safety. The decision to file a report with the office of Campus Safety or any other local, county, or state law enforcement agency is to be made by the victim. Filing a report by the police does not commit the victim to any subsequent course of action. While follow-up options are presented and discussed, the final decisions are left to the victim. Student Development personnel will help victims contact the police if assistance is requested.

Following a sexual assault, the victim's physical well-being is a primary concern because of the risk of sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy, and/or physical injuries which may not be apparent. All victims should seek immediate medical attention; however, even if time has passed, it is important to seek medical care.

Investigations and Hearing. Upon receiving a report of sexual assault, the appropriate vice president will conduct an investigation in cooperation with the Director of Campus Safety or his designee and will conduct hearings in accordance with the established procedures.

Sexual assault victims are entitled to have a person(s) of his/her choice present during any and all segments of the hearing process. Sexual assault victims are entitled to be informed of the status of any and all phases of the hearing process, including the outcome.

Person(s) accused of sexual assault are entitled to have the person(s) of his/her choice present during any and all segments of the hearing process, including the outcome.

Education/Services in the Prevention of Sexual Assault. The Department of Campus Safety offers several educational seminars that are specifically designed to prevent the occurrence of sexual assault. Seminars are offered to student, faculty, and staff groups upon request. Con-

tact the Department of Campus Safety to schedule seminars.

1. The Department of Campus Safety provides an escort service during the hours of darkness for person(s) who may be walking on campus. Call x85555 to request an escort.

2. Crime prevention materials are made available to students, faculty, and staff upon request. Crime awareness posters are periodically distributed on campus.

3. The Department of Campus Safety provides the communication with timely reports of crimes committed on or off campus considered to be a threat to students or employees through campus bulletins, *The Echo* (the weekly school newspaper), residence hall directors, and announcements in classes and chapels.

4. The Sexual Assault Services Consultants (representatives from Academic Affairs, Personnel, Counseling Center, Residential Life, Campus Safety, chairperson, and Health Center) are a central referral source for information relating to the rights, options, and services available to a sexual assault victim. Specifically, consultants are knowledgeable about campus and community referral resources which can provide medical, legal, counseling, advocacy, and academic assistance. The University will change a victim's academic and living situations after an alleged offense, if those changes are requested by the victim and are reasonably available. Consultants can discuss these options. The consultant should not be expected to provide specific or detailed legal, medical or counseling guidance to a victim and must refrain from doing so unless licensed in the respective field. The consultant is expected to inform the victim both verbally and in writing of the existence and location of services available to assist the victim of a sexual assault. Call x85395 for more information on the Sexual Assault Services Consultants.

What To Do. If you are a victim of a sexual assault, get to a safe place as soon as you can. Then you should:

1. Try to preserve all physical evidence. Do not bathe, douche, use the toilet, or change clothing.
2. Call the Office of Campus Safety or a police agency—even if you are unsure about filing charges.
3. Get medical attention as soon as possible. The Campus Safety officers or police will help you with this.
4. Call a close friend, residence hall director, or other trusted person who can be with you for support.
5. Use the Sexual Assault Services Consultants for crisis counseling, assistance with medical treatment, safe-shelter options, and assistance with legal issues.

Letters to the editor submissions:

Do you have something you want to share with the campus? Letters to the editor are accepted; they must be under 300 words in length and signed by the writer.

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Interactive television comes to campus

by Kelly Booster
campus editor

With the information super-highway cruising ahead, Taylor is beginning to take the wheel as the installation of enhancements to technology proceed, the foremost project being the interactive video system.

Interactive video between Taylor's Upland and Ft. Wayne campuses was operational as of the end of October.

"Technically, it is up and running, but it is not fully implemented yet," Bob Hodge, vice president for Planning and Information Resources, said.

The system was used for a teacher education meeting between campuses Thursday morning.

The system had a good first run but is not "100 percent," according to Hodge.

Extensive training will be done throughout this academic year so that the systems are used properly and effectively for committee meetings and a pilot project on distance learning.

Besides the interactive video, Taylor University has improved telecommunications systems over fall break as Information Services staff and three vendors traded out communications switches and hun-

dreds of telephones on both campuses.

The number of pathways to receive and originate long-distance calls has been increased in Upland by 16 percent. Students should see a significant improvement in long-distance service during the busiest time period, 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

With the new dedicated lines between the two Taylor campuses, students can call between campuses with no charge during all non-business hours.

After the systems are stabilized, Information Services will consider opening the lines for free student access during the day.

Billing for long distance is now more accurate, starting only when the call is connected rather than after a set number of seconds.

Response to emergency calls will also be improved as Campus Safety obtains and logs emergency call location information automatically. They will also be able to identify and log the source of harassing telephone calls to better protect the students.

As systems stabilize, new feature packages will be considered, such as call waiting, conference calls, speed dial codes, and interactive video between campuses to student groups.



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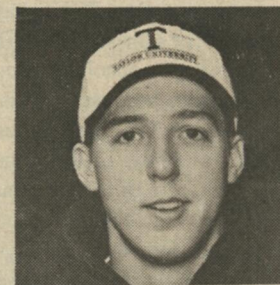
Student Echoes

What is your favorite
Thanksgiving tradition?



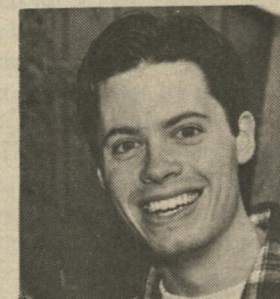
"Having my whole family over for
a big dinner: playing outside."

- Tricia Hopp - Sophomore



"PUMPKIN PIE!!!!"

- Josh Hawn - Freshman



"Waking up and watching the pa-
rade and having dinner with my
folks."

- Chris Stanley - Senior



"At my grandparents' house we
set up long tables and the whole
family sits down and says some-
thing we're thankful for."

- Christy Voorhees - Sophomore

compiled by Scott Balyo
and Andy Roon



by Herb Harjes

Scenic Overlook



...the next exit

If you're not under 40. . . you might not understand

Holidays and relatives go together like honey and bees, Simon and Garfunkel, Upland and flat, Pastor Chuck and holy kisses.

It is nearly impossible to have one without the other. But along with relatives come a unique set of problems that you, most likely the grandchild, cousin, or nephew, must deal with. Trust me, I'm only trying to help.

The first problem comes with the inevitable question, "So, what do you want for Christmas?" If you're like me, you absolutely detest this question because I never know what to ask for. Sometimes the problem is money. Unless your uncle happens to be Bill Gates, you really can't ask Uncle Scott for the big ticket item. However, the biggest problem is not the money. The biggest problem is the fact that they never get your request right.

Tell me if this sounds familiar. "Well Uncle Steve, I could really use a new pair black pants for Christmas." But then Christmas morning rolls around and you open up the package from Uncle Steve to find a pair of mauve biking shorts. Or you tell Aunt Laurie that you would like a blanket *JUST LIKE THE ONE SHE HAS*, but come the morning of the 25th, you open a package to find a Green Power Ranger! Now don't get me wrong, I love all of my relatives dearly, but please don't go off the board for any more gifts.

As if the gift thing was not enough, the question of dating is always a fun one to field from the relatives. Do you ever get the feeling that all of your grandparents and their friends had arranged marriages. I don't think any of them understand dating. Either that or the "just friends" type of relationship didn't exist 70 years ago. (I suppose that could be a product of the drug infested 1960's!) Or maybe Harry was right (From the movie When Harry met Sally, in case you weren't following) men and women cannot be friends. . . at least according to my Aunt Ida. Now, most of my family is Lutheran, and I understand that sets us up for some unique beliefs, but I'm pretty sure that the subject of dating was never covered in Luther's Small Catechism.

Even when you are dating someone, but she (or he) isn't present during the question and answer session, you feel a need to really make them sound unbelievable

in order to pass the relative approval test. Try tacking these phrases on the end of your descriptions to beef up the scores. You could try, "... and he sews all his own clothes." Or how about "... not only that, but she memorized all of Proverbs 31—in the original Hebrew!" I realize that my relatives want me to have nothing less than the best, but I could really do without the Starsky and Hutch routine.

But if you step back, you'll see that your relatives are equally nosey about the rest of your friends as well. Have you ever tried to answer questions about the nationality of one of your friends? I am quite sure I have never asked the question, "Oh, his last name is Smith? What is that—Russian?"

Oh, holidays with the relatives are fun.

Your father will tell the stories about the excitement he had growing up and keep insisting that you remember the red barn that he and his pal Jimmy built. Never mind the fact that the barn was destroyed by fire long before you were born; in his mind that is a poor excuse for you not remembering what he considers to be his glory days.

I have found that most talk at family discussions centers around activities that happened before you were born and with people you never knew. So forget talking about anything that you might normally talk about. In fact, you'll probably get lots of practice at nodding your head, smiling for pictures, and listening about how Aunt Julie once crashed the car.

I'm making fun of my family, but it's because I love them. You see, I have watched as the Lord has taken quite a few of my closest family members to heaven. Trust me, it hurts. But He has also provided for me. I have a great step-mom that all of a sudden has a 23 year old son. That's quite an adjustment (I mean, look who her son is!) But I would rather spend time with her trying to explain where my future wife is and discussing the origin of someone's last name, than not having her at all.

So go, spend time with your relatives. Then come back to school and laugh at how out of touch they are. But remember that they think the world of you!

And who knows, maybe you won't get mauve biking shorts this Christmas! . . . Nope, not a chance, you will!



SOUSA MARCHES ON - Dr. Albert Harrison leads Taylor's Symphonic Band. photo by Andy Roon

Surfs up; Taylor hits the Web

by Angela Angelovska
staff writer

Taylor University's World Wide Web (WWW) server went on-line on Nov. 1.

In its first full week, more than 1,000 people outside the University logged on. Some have been alumni and parents, while others were from other corners of the world such as South Africa and Finland.

The on-line technology enables anyone from anywhere in the world who has access to the Internet to visit Taylor without moving from their desk.

Taylor's Web site is divided into six major categories: general information, academic information, Student Life, Correspondence Studies, Fort Wayne Campus and Taylor World Wide, an electronic magazine.

In each major category there are a number of sub-categories

which give more detailed information on specific subject matter.

Taylor World Wide offers the visitor up-to-date sports scores, links to personal home pages of alumni, e-mail through the parents connection, opportunities to post prayer requests to the virtual Taylor family, and in the very near future chat capabilities with others who are also on-line.

Prospective students are able learn more about Taylor University through browsing around the different categories and they can also request admissions information.

In the near future they will also be able to receive detailed information about the curriculum, the faculty and student projects, just to name a few. A number of academic departments have expressed the desire to develop their own Web pages which will be placed on the University server.

The World Wide Web is currently the best system for naviga-

tion on the Internet. With its graphic capabilities and ease of use, the World Wide Web has become the most popular vehicle for Net surfing. At least 700 U.S. educational institutions have created Web sites, attracting larger numbers of potential readers than conventional publications could ever reach.

Taylor University's on-line presence was established in the spring of 1995 when Taylor became the first member of the Christian College Consortium to establish a presence on America On-Line (AOL). Due to the limited number of people who have access to AOL and the large audience of the Internet, it was decided that a World Wide Web server be established. Through the efforts of the departments of University Relations, Information Services and Computer and System Sciences, Taylor has entered the world of the Web.

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D.C. changes

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mise was the next step to take.

Kenney agreed that to demand complete reversal of the situation was unrealistic. "The school spent a significant amount of money and we needed to be stewards of that money," she said.

"We are not going back to all rectangular tables," Smith said. The committee came to an agreement that the most critical concern was the elimination of one-on-one conversations. That is when 12 square tables were added in compromise.

In Smith's opinion, this is part of a bigger problem. "A new student union would solve the problem," he said, explaining that this would provide a place for students to meet for those private conversations. But due to the lack of funding for a new union, the addition of square tables was the next best option.

To some, 12 were not enough, and the rule about not moving them was ridiculous. "Pulling the tables together defeats the purpose of providing a place for private conversations," Kenney said.

After reviewing the proposal, the administration granted 12 square tables on a trial basis, pending feedback from the student body as to whether more or fewer were needed. But through the hundreds response cards that senate has sorted through, there has only been one positive mention about the addition of the square tables. The rest were complaints that the change simply was not good enough.

This is not just an attempt by the administration to pacify the students, Kenney said, but a genuine concern about their needs.

Some students voiced the problem of unusually large crowds, and at times, lack of seating. So whenever it is available, the Isley Room is opened for student use.

The problem of wing dinners is not as large or unsolvable, Smith said. The round tables can be pulled together for large groups, and there are other places that groups can go

for similar functions.

For some, group meals such as wing dinners, top the list of priorities. Shannon Brady, junior, personnel assistant, said that she does not even attempt them anymore with her wing. "I think we have to have the rectangular tables back. Wing dinners used to be a big part of things here, but not anymore."

Brady has tried to have her wing eat together as a group, but has found that there are not enough tables even open to push together, and

when there are, "making a caterpillar just doesn't work," she said.

So, as students adjust to a more "well-rounded" atmosphere, they might look to the monitors for some entertainment and information. But there have been some problems with those also.

The original goal of this estimated \$10,000 investment was to regularly announce news and events through the campus cable station, and possibly show plays, concerts and sporting events. "I see it as having more potential than just running plain television stations. We want it to be more campus oriented," Shimko said.

Although the monitors were actually purchased over a year ago, the campus television station is still working to keep the information current, and the monitors in constant use.

One of the problems occurs when students bring in universal remote controls and change the channel. "We are working to make it fool proof," Dr. Tim Kirkpatrick, associate professor of communication arts, said.

Currently, there is a pending transition of student leadership within the television station, but as soon as that is resolved, there are high hopes for reaching the potential that the D.C. monitors have, according to Laurel Gnagey, associate professor of communication arts and faculty advisor of the campus cable station.

She would like to look into en-

tertainment services to fill the time slots that the staff cannot. "We haven't been able to explore [the services] and whether we are a big enough market for them. We obviously can't fill 24-hours of programming, that's where the services come in, but there's also the money issue involved too."

Right now, Gnagey is looking forward to getting all of the students in the television production program involved in the tasks at hand. "I want to put all of the energy and excitement of [the 12 students] and put them to good use," she said.

And for some students, just getting past the I.D. checkpoint in the D.C. is a problem. The new system for scanning the bar codes may be defeating itself. Mike Balint, sophomore, Morris Hall senator, and Amy Bell, senior, West Village senator, have been working together and with the administration to solve this problem.

After both Balint and Bell both had problems with their own I.D.'s, they investigated and found that approximately 70 cards were reportedly broken and taped, and 75 had faded and unreadable bar codes on them.

The scanners have a keypad to manually input meal ticket numbers, Bell said, and students should not feel obligated to pay the fee (\$5 if faded, \$15 if broken) to replace the card since solutions are currently being sought after.

Mike Row, director of campus safety, said that some possible solutions are issuing a 2-year card instead of a 4-year card, or using a scanner that reads the bar code without actually touching it.

Because the problem is still being evaluated, action is not expected soon. "It is doubtful that any changes will be made this year," Row said.

It is impossible for the Echo to cover every aspect of this story at this time. We are encouraging our readers to please express their views



Nothing But A Long Hair-ed Hippy...

by Jason Berner

Well, it's finally over!

80's night has come and gone again. A part of me is sad to see it go; the pageantry of it all... yeah right!

I can't lie, I'm as happy as a dog on a street filled with fire hydrants. It was a lot of fun, but it was also a lot of work and a lot of headaches. Would I do it again?

Sure, but most people question my sanity, so go figure.

Now back to the 80's. It's great to think back to those care-free days of junior and senior high when all some of us had to worry about was getting that cute guy in biology class to notice that we existed.

Or, for the rest of us, scrounging up enough courage to ask her to the prom.

Or... getting home in time to see the A-Team. You know it's true; you did it, I did it, we all did it. And if it wasn't the A-Team, it was MacGyver, or Dallas, or Knots Landing, or the Dukes of Hazard, or the Incredible Hulk, or Knight Rider, or Growing Pains (c'mon ladies, admit it, Mike Seaver was a hunk, don't even try to deny it).

The funny thing is, when we look back at these great shows, we tend to see the lessons and life implications that blew right passed us in the salad days of our youth. You're probably thinking the bright lights and loud music has fried my brain, but follow along anyway and see if you get my point.

The A-Team.

Every single episode, they found themselves in some pressing dilemma that allowed them at least 15 minutes to devise a plan, build some sort of armored vehicle, and vanquish their enemies.

They taught us, no matter what situation you find yourself in, all

you need to succeed is a good plan, some sheet metal, and great aim, because you shouldn't kill anyone, just shoot at their feet until they surrender... that's useful.

MacGyver.

He could build anything with a roll of duct tape and a Swiss army knife; it was incredible. I always hoped he would release a book with some helpful tips for us wanna-bes who played with Dad's special roll of duct tape.

MacGyver, like the A-Team, showed us that there is simply no situation that the human mind can't figure a way out of... pretty good stuff, eh?

The Incredible Hulk.

Probably my all time favorite show, EVER! Just tell me you wouldn't love to say, "You wouldn't like me when I'm angry," and then turn into an invincible green monster.

But beyond, that, the Hulk taught us the importance of finding some way to vent your frustrations and remain the mild mannered drifter at the same time.

If you think about it long enough, every show you watched in junior and senior high taught you something about life. They taught us how not to live if we became independently wealthy, i.e. Dallas and Knots Landing, how to operate and live with a car that was smarter than yourself, Knight Rider, or how to cruise carefree around the country side with Roscoe P. Coltrane "in hot pursuit!" (Dukes of Hazard.)

Maybe the greatest thing the 80's taught us was to not take ourselves so seriously (a reoccurring theme, by the way). The 80's were about having fun and believing in heroes. Maybe it wouldn't hurt to think about the 80's more often.

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Walking my Dogma

by james
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More bark than bite?

"I don't think it would have all got me quite so down if just *once* in a while—just once in a while—there was at least some polite little *perfunctory* implication that knowledge *should* lead to *wisdom*, and that if it *doesn't*, it's just a disgusting waste of time!"

J.D. Salinger, *Franny and Zooey*

If charged, I must plead "guilty" to nodding in agreement whenever I hear someone describe the student body here at Taylor as a group wherein "relatively few people actually think" (their words, with emphasis on the word *think*). But in the interest of fairness, is this really an accurate diagnosis? By some accounts, it seems unlikely here at Taylor, where we reportedly turn away more and more applicants every year. Nevertheless, though the admissions office at Taylor happily reports that the average Board Scores for incoming freshmen rise annually, it seems that as a whole, our campus is becoming increasingly intellectually mediocre. Or perhaps "stagnant" is a better word (more on this in a minute). These days, even the word "intellectual" makes most people cringe. Partly, I think, because it's not easy to define what an "intellectual" is. But partly, too, I think, because a lot of us are afraid we won't fit that definition. Before long, the stereotypes develop and unfair name-calling begins:

"Elitists!" the El-Ed majors cry.

"El-Ed majors!" the small chorus of philosophy majors retort. And so on. Thus we arrive at some interesting questions, not the least of which is what role our formal education plays in deciding where each of us answers the question of "to be, or not to be" an intellectual. Sadly, we're not getting much help.

It would seem that for many Christians, cultivating the life of the mind is seen as being "at odds" with the journey toward becoming spiritually deeper. Now understand, few people would ever actually *say* this, but the way they live seems to suggest that they believe it. And, intentionally or not, Taylor seems to condone this attitude. Every semester, Taylor invests huge amounts of money, time and energy into ostensibly "spiritual" activities, (PROBE, well-known "revival" speakers, major label Christian musicians, etc.) but comparatively few resources to diversified, inter-disciplinary activities that target the life of the mind. In a sense, why should they? In addition to being a university, Taylor is also a reflection of its students. So it makes sense to conclude that if its student

body expresses no expectation or desire to be confronted with some of the weightier issues of the day, e.g. feminism, multiculturalism, religious pluralism, etc., then there is even less of a chance that they will ever be addressed outside of a quick blurb in *Newsline*.

When a college like Taylor does not react, it quickly becomes one of the worst places in which to learn anything. With only four short years to train Joe or Jill Freshman what is good and what the world requires, depth is routinely sacrificed in order to cover more material in what in its lowest form becomes "systematic dabbling." This process has long had a lofty name: Liberal Arts Education. Its various symptoms include multiple-choice tests, cumbersome and irrelevant core-curriculum requirements, and above all, an attitude that basically tells us, "you don't have to *know* this, you just have to get it right on the test this Friday."

Finally, we live in an era which one critic has deftly labeled the "Age of Distraction." Most of us, being Americans, are naturally predisposed to distraction in the first place, so it is no surprise that we typically greet anything heavier than a movie plot with a collective yawn. This is not the age of the Thinker, and the sad truth is, most of us have learned that it's just not fashionable to care or think much about *anything* of eternal consequence, with the possible exception of our salvation, the foundations of which—despite the best efforts of our professors—are often sketchy. Four years later, when we are thrown into a serious world with its serious problems, Joe Taylor wonders why he doesn't know much about anything. Or worse, he thinks his *sincerity* will cover a multitude of deficiencies. Never mind that for four years s/he passed up the library for the union, the chance to make friends with books for the weekly spectacle of *Friends*.

All of this, I realize, is quite weighty. I've done huge concepts scant justice. I've made big generalizations about ideas and people. But instead of apologizing, I'll wait to be proven *wrong*. Meanwhile, I'm not going to hold my breath. Why? First, many of us simply do not care. Second, if there are solutions to these problems, they will hurt. A lot. And we've proven over and over that we don't like pain. So I ask: When will the torch pass? When does the revolution begin? I have written part one of this essay. We all will write Part Two.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

In reading *The Echo* this semester, I have noticed one very important thing missing: real news. Every week, *The Echo* faithfully reports all the sports scores and the weekend weather, but, very seldom that a real issue - one that can be debated - is addressed in this newspaper. And so I ask you, what exactly is a college newspaper for? It is my understanding that the purpose of a publication of this sort is to report relevant news to the readers. I'm all for reading about Spiritual Renewal Week, or the new Sammy Morris statues, but after a while, reporting like that gets stale. And after several months of nothing but articles about concerts, new faculty and hall directors, and scholarship donors, one has to wonder if this really is a news-paper. I am not denying that announcing the arrival of parents to campus is news, for in the broadest sense of the term, it is indeed "a recent event or happening that is reported by the media." But what I am saying is that there are many bigger issues floating around on this campus that are not addressed by any of the media publi-

Dear Editor,

Dr. Dorman correctly criticized the substance of Jim Hofman's article. In so doing, however, Dorman was guilty of what he criticized Jim for—an *ad hominem* attack. In addition, Dorman also demonstrated the lack of thought that is so often evidenced in Christians who delve into the world of politics. As believers we have a positive ability to affect change. Therefore, when Christians (Dorman included) make statements that appeal to emotion and lack intellect, I am concerned that our ability to help our society will be adversely affected.

According to Webster's, an *ad hominem* attack is one that, "appeals to feelings or prejudice rather than intellect," or is, "marked by an attack on an opponent's character rather than by the contentions made." This type of attack was demonstrated when Dorman asserted that affirmative action is the, "darling of liberal group thinking bean counters." Dorman's diction in this off-handed comment does not help discussion, nor does it help to formulate an accurate understanding of the issue. Since his

cations.

Has anyone ever stopped to notice that the Community Life Committee is getting ready to revise our Life Together Covenant this year? Contrary to what anyone may think, this really is a big issue, since our whole community is based on what is included in this document. The CLC is putting a lot of time into this revision; if they are willing to dedicate their time and energy to this, it would seem like we as students ought to pay attention as well. And yet, how can we devote our attention to this, if we are not even aware that these deliberations are going on?

And what about the fact that most of the lights on campus go off when you walk under them? This little quirk should be of interest to anyone who has ever been concerned about their safety. I'm sure that someone somewhere is attempting to do something about this problem, but in the meantime, we are literally walking in the dark from our residence halls to various academic buildings. I wonder why no one has really taken the time to inform the students as to exactly what steps are being taken to rem-

edy this problem.

And then there are the (never-ending) issues like the library hours, the housing policy, student parking, and round tables. I'll admit that the housing issue has probably been given more than its share of attention this semester, but at least we were well informed about the issue, as opposed to most other things that occur here. All of the aforementioned issues deserve to be publicly presented and considered, since they do contribute to the quality of our "Taylor Experience."

There are so many things that could be discussed, debated, and even changed, but no one will know about them unless someone helps to increase awareness of such issues. The logical place to start is our newspaper. I am not asking *The Echo* to suddenly start making preposterous demands on the administration, for even I know the political ramifications that such attempts would have. What I am asking is that this publication begin to inform its audience about the issues that really affect us.

Erin Carter, junior

statements are not grounded in fact, and automatically exclude Dorman from intelligent discussion, they clearly demonstrate his "prejudice rather than intellect."

Currently, I'm at the American Studies Program in Washington D.C. For the last six weeks we have studied the issue of affirmative action. We have attended seminars with people from the Department of Justice, Department of Labor, Robert Woodson (conservative counterpart to Jesse Jackson), Empower America (Bill Bennett's group), National Council of La Raza and many others. My research group interviewed people from the House Subcommittee on the Constitution, staffers from Bob Dole's office, Rep. Mfume's office, the NAACP, the Rainbow Coalition, Heritage Foundation, Family Research Council, The Christian Coalition, and other "insiders" on the hill. My experience leads me to assert that Dorman's argument lacks basis in fact. Both conservatives and liberals alike know that the 1964 Civil Rights Act (not the 1965 Act as Dorman mentioned), doesn't allow for quotas. In fact, affirmative action was not born out of the

Civil Rights Act. It came into being as a result of Executive Order 11246. Therefore, to criticize affirmative action as the "darling of liberal group thinking bean counters," when quotas are not constitutional, is illogical. Had he been following the debate, he would have been familiar with the recent Supreme Court decision, *Adarand v. Peña* in 1995, which greatly restricts even the use of preferences in Federal Contracting unless they are directed towards solving specific instances of racism.

Therefore, my criticism of Dorman's statement is threefold. First, his assertion is based on emotional jargon designed to elicit a response. Second, as his statement highlights, he does not understand affirmative action. Finally, I would ask Dorman how has the Bible entered into your decision? Is it the repeated theme in the Old and New Testaments that encourages believers to be fair, loving, and to help those who are oppressed? Or is it the part that encourages us to exclude ourselves from intelligent and open minded discussion of political and social issues?

Mike Spence, senior

Happy Thanksgiving Taylor !

Trojan hoop squads seeking MCC titles; post season tournament chances appear to be good

by Luke Swartz
sports editor

The 1995-96 Lady Trojans have two major goals in mind: win the Mid Central Conference and go to the NAIA Division II national tournament.

Taylor returns nine letter winners and four starters from last year's 20-11 team. Senior Christi

Weaver will also be back after missing most of last season with a knee injury.

Also add to these veteran players a freshman class with three 6-footers and three quality guards.

"We're a little bit bigger, a little bit quicker, and I'm really looking forward to the season," said head coach Tena Krause.

THE PLAYERS

The point guard slot will be filled by sophomore Yen Tran who averaged 9.1 points last year. Al-

though only a sophomore, Tran is experienced after a lot of playing time last season.

Freshman Lindsey Lund will see significant time at point guard because of her speed and quickness.

Weaver will most likely start at shooting guard, but a host of Lady Trojans will see action at that spot.

Another senior, Lisa Dunkerton will play some at shooting guard, but will see most of her time in the forward position.

Dunkerton averaged 9.3 points and 4.3 rebounds last year.

Two juniors also join the battle for playing time at the two spot. Lisa Maass and Grace Morrison are both experienced players who will receive significant playing time.

Sophomore Nancy Wolford and freshmen Sarah King and Tara Shellabarger provide the Lady Trojans with an extremely deep guard position.

The strong inside game will be led by Sophomore Natalie Steele - whenever the volleyball season is finished. Steele led the conference in scoring (16.0) and rebounding (11.8) last year, and was named to the NAIA All-American 3rd Team.

"Natalie gives us total rebounding dominance," said Krause.

Senior Katie Shaffer averaged eight points last year and will give Taylor valuable experience inside.

Sophomore Sarah Krause and three freshmen will battle for playing time at the forward and center positions.

Rachel Ligtenberg (6-1), Laurie Dunkerton (6-0) and Charity Carpenter (6-0) will add valuable depth to the 1995-96 Lady Trojans. As seniors in high school, Ligtenberg was 1st team All-State (Fla.), Dunkerton averaged 17.2 points and Carpenter averaged 12.6 rebounds.

THE SEASON

Taylor narrowly missed going to the national tournament last season, losing the MCC tournament championship game to St. Francis, 87-83.

This year, the Lady Trojans will play a tough schedule in hopes that it will prepare them for conference and post-season action.

"We're playing some teams this year that we haven't played before. That's good for us because we need to play against good teams that are ranked or are more competitive," Krause said.

Ranked NAIA Division II opponents include Tri-State (No. 9) and MCC rival St. Francis (No. 19). Possible match-ups could happen with ranked NAIA Division I opponents Lindsey Wilson and Rosary College.

"I'd really like to win conference. I've always wanted a shot at going to the national tournament," said Krause.

With the NAIA Division II National Tournament at Tri-State this year, reaching those goals may not be far away.

If you believe in trends, then you will believe that the men's basketball team will reach the national tournament this year.

After all, the Trojans have not gone more than one year without a national tournament appearance since 1984. And they didn't make it last year.

Even if you don't believe in trends, you can believe that the 1995-96 Trojans are an improved team over last year's 17-14 squad, eager to prove themselves against an extremely tough schedule.

THE PLAYERS

The Trojans will be deepest at the two guard positions. Senior Shannon Patterson started 22 games last year, but missed several games with a stress fracture. He is healthy once again and will start for Taylor at point guard.

Jon Beukelman played in every game last year, giving him valuable guard experience as he enters his sophomore season.

Senior Kurt Ringley and sophomore Michael Delp are two of the Trojans' deep threats. Both have the ability to hit outside jumpers that will open up the middle for Taylor.

Another sophomore, Scott Smiley saw significant action toward the end of last season. His quickness allows him to drive to the basket. Smiley is also one of Taylor's best defensive players.

Two sophomores who played junior varsity last year will see varsity action this year. Jon Chastain will most likely be the backup point guard. Ryan Roth could also see playing time at the shooting guard position.

The Trojan forwards will be led by senior Jim Pope, who last season became the first Taylor player to lead the team in scoring (16.5), rebounding (5.8), and assists (2.8) in the same season. The versatile Pope can also fill either guard position.

"Jim is an extremely competitive player. As an established player, he won't surprise anyone this season," said head coach Paul Patterson.

Senior Ben Waymouth is back after a foot injury cut last season short. He is another three-point

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1995-96 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL - (left to right) Student Asst. A. Wallace, L. Lund, K. Shaffer, Lisa (3rd row) Mgr. S. Matthews, S. Krause, L. Dunkerton, C. Weaver, L. Maass, G. Morrison, (2nd row) Y. Tran, S. King, T. Shellabarger, N. Wolford, Head coach T. Krause, Asst. coach V. Scott.

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1995-96 MEN'S BASKETBALL - (left to right) D. Taatjes, J. Beukelman, M. Delp, S. Patterson, K. J. Thorson, B. Waymouth, A. Davies, M. Zink, W. Ringley, J. Pope, J. Chastain, R. Roth, S. Smiley, Moore, S. Wit, J. Beard, C. Glenn, C. Morrison, (back row) Coach P. Patterson, Coach S. Brooks, Coach M. Moulton, Mgr. B. Hotmire.

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Previews

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Volleyball captures MCC tournament championship

threat for the Trojans.

Sophomore Chris Glenn played center last season, but will move to the forward spot. This move will give the Trojans valuable height that they lacked last year.

Three newcomers could see playing time down low. Sophomore transfer Matt Zink averaged 13 points and seven rebounds in his freshman season at Eastfield Community College in Texas.

Freshmen Chuck Morrison and Derek Taatjes hope to bolster the Trojans at the forward position.

The only junior on the team is transfer Steve Wit. The 6-foot-8 center should provide the Trojans with much-improved inside game. Wit averaged 17.8 points and 12.0 rebounds and was named to the NJCAA Division II All-Tournament team last season for the College of DuPage.

"Steve gives us a strength and rebounding presence that we haven't had in recent years," said Patterson.

Senior Wayne Moore will also see playing time in the paint for Taylor. Two others, sophomore Jason Beard and freshman Andrew Davies, round out the centers for the Trojans.

THE SEASON

Taylor could face as many as 10 teams with pre-season NAIA rankings. Conference foes Bethel (No. 1 Division II) and St. Francis (No. 16 Division II) play Taylor at least twice.

Other ranked Division II opponents include St. Ambrose (No. 5) and William Jewell (No. 9).

As if that schedule was not tough enough, the Trojans could also face Division I opponents Belmont (No. 2), McKendree (No. 5), and Columbia (No. 13).

The Trojans open the season with seven tournaments before getting into the MCC schedule.

If the hard work pays off, the Trojans could end their season out West.

Nampa, Idaho will host the NAIA Division II national tournament in March.

by Luke Swartz
sports editor

VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Trojans continued their dominance of the MCC, winning the conference tournament for the second consecutive year.

Taylor drew Goshen in the first round and promptly dismissed the Maple Leafs 15-8, 15-6, 15-13.

In the semifinals, Taylor faced a tough Bethel team in a match that lasted 2 1/2 hours. The Lady Trojans finally prevailed 15-11, 8-15, 16-14, 12-15, 15-10.

The finals pitted Taylor against 25th-ranked Grace, a team that had defeated them twice in their previous three meetings. But the Lady Trojans showed no fear in dismantling Grace 15-4, 15-12, 15-5.

Gretchen Newhouse (3rd year), Natalie Stanislaw (3rd year) and Natalie Steele (2nd year) were named to the All-Conference team. Coach Angie Fincannon was also named coach of the year for the second consecutive year.

The 46-11 Lady Trojans have the record for most wins in a season, and they are not finished yet. Taylor is playing in the NAIA Great Lakes Regional Tournament this weekend, with hopes of earning a berth in the national tournament.

Taylor opened the tournament against Mt. Vernon Nazarene last night, but results were not available. The Lady Trojans split the two meetings with Mt. Vernon Nazarene in the regular season.

SOCCER

Taylor's record-setting season came to an end last weekend with a 3-0 loss to Illinois-Springfield.

The 8th-ranked Prairie Stars and a stiff wind proved too much for the Trojans to handle.

The Trojans finished with the program's best record at 20-2-1. Senior goalie Toby Bohl finished with a .95 goals against average, and freshman Rob Mouw led the team in goals (10) and total points (28).

Taylor also won 17 games in a row, the MCC regular season title, the MCC tournament title, and made it farther than any other Trojan soccer team had in the post season.

FOOTBALL

The Trojan football team also finished their season with a loss, 35-6 to No. 8 Findlay.

The Oilers scored on their first four possessions, putting the game out of reach early. Taylor had 206 yard total offense against the nation's leading defense which had been giving up only 168.3 yards per game.

Taylor overcame an 0-4 start and the loss of their top two quarterbacks by winning four of their last seven games, including three in a row.

Senior Bill Silva set two kicking records, 11 in a year and 29 in his career.

Two Trojans also made the MSFA Mid-West All-League First Team. Senior linebacker J.J. Guedet led Taylor in tackles (77), assists (45), tackles for loss (15) and tied for the team lead in sacks (4). Sophomore slot back Ben Suriano was also selected.

Second team members include offensive linemen Eric Syswerda (Sr.), Seth Elzinga (Jr.), and Nathan Gates (Sr.). Defensive end Ed Traub (Jr.) and defensive back Chad Mulder (Sr.) also were selected to the second team.

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

The 11th-ranked Trojans finished second out of 19 teams at last weekend's NCCAA National Championship.

James Njoroge kept his unbeaten streak alive, winning the race in 25:19.

Other Trojans to place were Shadrack Kilemba in 15th (27:08), Phil Steiner in 17th (27:29), Brendon Benz in 18th (27:34), Owen Cooper in 22nd (27:53) and Josh Purses in 30th (28:12).



photo by Andy Roan

THE THRILL OF VICTORY - Senior Natalie Steele and Freshman Rachel Ligtenberg embrace after Taylor's MCC Tourney win.

Taylor concludes its season this weekend at the NAIA National Championship in Kenosha, Wis. The Trojans' goal is to place in the top five in the nation.

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Taylor placed fourth out of 15 teams at the NCCAA National Championship.

Heather Ellison led the way for the Lady Trojans, placing 24th in 21:13. Kristen Horn finished 25th (21:17); Elizabeth Kroeze 28th (21:20); and Christen Milligan 31st (21:38).

Kroeze, Milligan, Suzanne Sterrett and April Prast were named NCCAA Scholar Athletes.

The Lady Trojans will also

compete in this weekend's NAIA National Championship.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Trojans started the season with two victories at the Hannibal-LaGrange Classic.

The first win came against Concordia (Mo.) by the score of 100-31. Ben Waymouth led Taylor in scoring with 17 points, including three 3-point field goals.

Concordia scored no 2-point field goals the entire game, making eight 3-pointers and seven free throws.

Taylor won the championship game the next night, beating the host team 82-59. Pope scored 14 points while Waymouth added 13. Jon Chastain chipped in 12, and Wit had 10.

The Trojans travel to the Quad City Classic in Iowa this weekend and open against No. 5 St. Ambrose.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Lady Trojans won both of their games last weekend in taking the Midway (Ky.) Tournament.

The first victory came against Ohio Dominican, 80-64. Lisa Dunkerton led Taylor with 16 points and six rebounds. Point guard Yen Tran scored 15 to go with six rebounds. Christi Weaver netted 14 for Taylor.

The Lady Trojans won the championship 74-56. Grace Morrison led Taylor with 20 points, while Tran added 16 in being named tournament MVP. Dunkerton also scored 13 with seven rebounds.

Taylor has their home opener at 6 p.m. Saturday, against Missouri Baptist.

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